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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION V

DATE: AUG 22 1986

SUBJECT: Ceiling Increase Request for Immediate Removal
at A-Chem, Chicago, Illinois - ACTION MEMORANDUMFROM: Stephen M. Browning, On-Scene Coordinator
Western Response Unit *for Jack Bernette*TO: Valdas V. Adamkus
Regional AdministratorTHRU: *B* Basil G. Constantelos *J. E. Gant*
Waste Management DivisionPURPOSE

This is a request for your approval to increase the ceiling for the Immediate Removal Action at the A-Chem site in Chicago, Illinois, from \$190,000 to \$210,000. The increase is required to cover additional disposal costs and for site security which was required for a longer time frame than originally budgeted for.

BACKGROUND

The original action memorandum (copy attached) was signed on June 25, 1986, and confirmed verbal authorization to act which was given on June 9, 1986. The action memorandum included a ceiling request of \$99,000.

ACTION TAKEN

Removal action was essentially completed on August 14, 1986. All contaminants including acids, neutrals, and strong bases were removed and disposed of at RCRA approved facilities within Region V. However, 20 drums remain and are stored off-site, pending firm price quotations for disposal. The building debris which sustained chemical and fire damage was decontaminated on-site and disposed of at a local sanitary landfill. The building was decontaminated. The building is now ready for demolition by G & G Wrecking Company, a subcontractor to the City of Chicago Inspectional Services Department.

SUMMARY OF COSTSPRESENT BUDGETNEW BUDGET

Extramural Contracts	\$ 142,000	\$ 162,000
Intramural Costs	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000
EPA overhead costs	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
TOTAL	\$ 190,000	\$ 210,000

RECOMMENDATIONS

To cover additional costs including waste disposal and site security, I recommend you approve this \$20,000 ceiling increase. Your approval would raise the total project ceiling from \$190,000 to \$210,000. You may indicate your approval or disapproval by signing below.

APPROVE:

PETER WISS (ADMIN)
REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

DATE:

8/28/86

DISAPPROVE:

REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

DATE:
